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SUBJECT: VISIT OF GAO OFFICIALS TO TOKYO AND SEOUL,
SEPTEMBER 25 - OCTOBER 5.

1. THE GAO HAS INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT MESSRS. FRED
J. SHAFER, DIRECTOR, AND CHARLES R. COMFORT, ASSISTANT
DIRECTOR, LOGISTICS AND COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION OF THE
GAO, PLAN TO VISIT THE ADDRESSEE POSTS IN ACCORDANCE
WITH THE FOLLOWING ITINERARY:

SEPT 22 - LV WASHINGTON 9 A.M. UA FLIGHT 53 FOR
SAN FRANCISCO CONNECTING WITH UA FLIGHT 35 FOR HONOLULU
ARRIVING 1600

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SEPT 24 - LV HONOLULU 1305 NW FLIGHT 9

SEPT 25 - AR TOKYO 1600

SEPT 26-27 - TOKYO

SEPT 28 - LV TOKYO 1040 NW FLIGHT 9
AR SEOUL 1250

SEPT 29-OCT 5 - SEOUL

OCT 6 LV SEOUL 1455 NW FLIGHT 22
AR HONOLULU 0655

OCT 7 - HONOLULU

OCT 8 - LV HONOLULU 1230 UA FLIGHT 194

2. THIS TRAVEL IS BEING UNDERTAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH A CURRENT STUDY DEALING WITH PROMOTING PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR AND TO DISCUSS OTHER ONGOING AND PLANNED EFFORTS IN THE LOGISTICAL AREA DEALING WITH THE MILITARY. INCLUDED IN THE LATTER CATEGORY ARE STUDIES DIRECTED TO: UTILIZATION AND MAINTENANCE OF EIGHTH ARMY VEHICLES, CONSOLIDATION OF DISBURSING, SUPPLY, AND EXCHANGE ACTIVITIES AT COLLOCATED MILITARY FACILITIES AND CARGO SECURITY PROBLEMS.

3. ARRANGEMENTS FOR COURTESY CALL ON LT. GENERAL GEORGE G. LOVING, COMMANDER U.S. FORCES JAPAN, BRIEFING WITH GENERAL JOHN W. VESSEY, COMMANDER U.S. FORCES KOREA AND HIS STAFF AND MEETINGS WITH MAJOR GENERAL MORRIS J.
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BRADY, COMMANDER, 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION AT CAMP CASEY AND SELECTED MILITARY UNITS OF THE DIVISION ARE BEING MADE BY THE JOINT STAFF, DOD.

4. IN TOKYO THE GAO OFFICIALS WILL MEET WITH THE JAPANESE MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY ON SEPT. 26 OR 27 (DATE TO BE CONFIRMED LATER), TO DISCUSS GOVERNMENT-INDUSTRY RELATIONSHIPS IN FOSTERING ADVANCE TECHNOLOGY IN INDUSTRY AND VISIT SELECTED MANUFACTURING PLANS WHICH HAVE INCREASED PRODUCTIVITY THROUGH USE OF COMPUTER-INTEGRATED MANUFACTURING METHODS. THESE APPOINTMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE THROUGH THE WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE JAPAN PRODUCTIVITY CENTER IN CONJUNCTION WITH ITS TOKYO OFFICE. AN EMBOFF IS INVITED TO ACCOMPANY TEAM ON THESE VISITS.

5. THE GAO HAS REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY SEOUL ARRANGE A MEETING ON OCTOBER 4 OR 5 FOR MR. SHAFER TO CONFER WITH MR. KIM MAHN JE., PRESIDENT, KOREA DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE, TO DISCUSS GOVERNMENT-INDUSTRY RELATIONSHIPS IN FOSTERING ADVANCE TECHNOLOGY IN INDUSTRY WITH VISITS TO ONE OR TWO KOREAN MANUFACTURING PLANTS THAT EMPLOY ADVANCE

TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE PRODUCTIVITY. THE GAO IS AWARE THAT CONTACTS WITH FOREIGN OFFICIALS ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE AMBASSADOR, TO BE ARRANGED FOR BY THE EMBASSY, AND EMBOFF TO ACCOMPANY, IF FEASIBLE. THE DEPARTMENT

CONFIRMS THAT MESSRS. SHAFER AND COMFORT HOLD CURRENT TOP SECRET SECURITY CLEARANCES.

6. PLEASE RESERVE AND CONFIRM TWO SINGLES WITH BATH IN TOKYO AT HOTEL OKURA FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 26 AND 27; AND IN SEOUL AT HOTEL CHOSEN; FOR SEPTEMBER 28 THROUGH OCTOBER 5.

7. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO COOPERATE WITH THE GAO IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GUIDELINES OF 4 FAM 930-934.
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QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS ARISING DURING THE COURSE OF THE VISIT SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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